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15 April 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM : John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration  
SUBJECT : Headquarters Compound

Sir:

1. Action Requested. None; for your information only.
2. Background: Our Director of Training, Mr. Harry Fitzwater, advised me that Professor Kenneth Galbraith raised some questions about the Langley compound during his recent visit. As a result of this, I thought I would take the liberty of passing on some basic facts and statistics which you may want to crank into your mental computer for future reference. They are attached.

/s/ John F. Blake

John F. Blake

Attachment

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The Langley Headquarters compound consists of 219 acres. The General Services Administration (GSA) has purchased an additional 30 acres contiguous to the southwest corner of our property. The current owners have tenant rights until death, at which time that property also will revert to us.

The Headquarters building was first occupied in late 1961. It was erected under contract by GSA. The then Director, Allen Dulles, signed an agreement with GSA giving them the right and responsibility to operate and maintain the installation. While this agreement is still operative, we have to supplement considerable funds and personnel to ensure a 24-hour-a-day operating capability and to further ensure the proper maintenance of our environmentally controlled areas which are essential for our extensive computer operations.

There are three structures on the compound. You are familiar with the Headquarters building itself. The building has usable square footage of approximately 1,000,000 square feet. The cost of the Headquarters building was approximately \$54 million. In addition to that, there is a separate standing Printing & Photography building of 51,000 square feet at the northern extremity of the property. It was erected in 1967 at a cost of \$2 million. There is also a garage and motor pool operation on the western side. It consists of a 14,000 square foot building built in 1974 and at a cost of approximately \$1.8 million.

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| Headquarters Building | 1961 |
| P&PD Building         | 1967 |
| Garage                | 1974 |

Letter to GSA Administrator Floete from Allen Dulles,  
dated 28 October 1959:

"It is our desire that your administration obtain annual appropriations and perform the these services (operations, maintenance, protection, repair and related utilities service) upon completion of the building."

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